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Dixon, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces today that construction work on South Main Street (Illinois Route 2) in Rockford has resumed. William Charles Construction Company is working on the \$19.0 million project to reconstruct the 1.6 mile section of South Main Street from Cedar Street to Clifton Avenue.

Traffic will be restricted to one lane in each direction as the roadway will be reconstructed in multiple sections. One of the first work areas is to complete the two southbound lanes from Knowlton Street to Clifton Avenue. All the streets west of South Main Street will be closed during this work except Ogilby Road and Marchesano Drive. Drivers need to be alert for the workers along the roadway and for flaggers who will be directing traffic.

The project involves removing and replacing the entire roadway pavement including curbs, sidewalks, traffic signals, storm sewers and water lines. Due to the many construction operations and closed side streets, motorists should expect short delays when traveling through the area and should plan their trips accordingly.

There will also be construction activity south of Clifton Avenue. William Charles Construction Company will be completing the \$13.4 million project to reconstruct and resurface the section of South Main Street from north of Harrison Avenue to Beltline Road south of US 20. The north portion of this project will be restricted to one lane in each direction for the next several weeks until late May as work continues at the intersection of South Main Street and Harrison Avenue.

Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.

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